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INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bob Parlette, Acting Chair Wenatchee
Connie Kearney Vancouver
Larry Fairleigh State Parks

Craig Partridge Designee, Department of Natural Resources Elyse Kane Designee, Department of Fish and Wildlife

IT IS INTENDED THAT THIS SUMMARY BE USED WITH THE NOTEBOOK PROVIDED IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING.

A RECORDED TAPE IS RETAINED BY IAC AS THE FORMAL RECORD OF MEETING.

ITEM 1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

While awaiting the arrival of Acting Chair Bob Parlette, Connie Kearney called the meeting to order at 8:50 a.m. Consensus was to proceed with management and status reporting by staff pending a quorum.

ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT AND STATUS REPORTS

Director's Report: Director Johnson presented the Director's report (see notebook for details).

- Commended Marguerite Austin and her staff for their hard work in getting projects to the Board approval phase.
- Shared an article in Forbes magazine that cites Bob Parlette's work on a class action lawsuit.
- Commended Debra Wilhelmi and her staff for their work in closing out the fiscal year-end books and preparing and submitting the final budget request for the new biennium.
- Due to budget problems facing the state, it was decided to drop the Trails Plan update from the operating budget request. This issue will still be explored in a less expensive way.
- Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP) was approved by the Governor's office and is with the National Park Service (NPS) for review.
- The State Parks and Outdoor Recreation Legislative Task Force met for the first time August 27.
- Director Johnson was asked to serve on a review team recently formed by the Governor to develop budget needs for natural resources. She welcomes input from staff and Board on this issue.

Financial & Administrative Report: Debra Wilhelmi updated the Board on the financial and management services activities (see notebook for details).

- Staff closed out books for fiscal year.
- Commended staff on preparation of operating and capital budgets, which were submitted to the Office of Financial Management (OFM).
- Provided information to the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee (JLARC) on staffing and costs associated with development and implementation of capital programs.
- State financial picture is still bleak; revenue forecast is up slightly.

Planning-Related Report: Greg Lovelady presented an update of planning-related activities (see notebook for details).

- Trails Conference is scheduled for November 7 in Redmond.
- Continued work with Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), utility companies, and the public on six hydropower dam relicensing projects.
- Staff drafted a technical paper, Estimates of Future Participation in Outdoor Recreation in Washington, and circulated for review.
- Staff completed the *Strategic Plan* update and posted it on the web.
- Fuel use study recommendations will be presented at the December Board meeting.

Project Services Report. Marguerite Austin updated the Board on the activities of the project services staff (see notebook for details).

- Staff devoted the majority of its time working with applicants who submitted proposals in May.
- Received authorization from NPS to fund three Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) projects approved by the Board at its July meeting.
- Evaluation meetings were held for the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP). One of the major changes this year was that applicants had the option of using PowerPoint.
- Project review meetings were held for the Boating Facilities Program (BFP) and Firearms and Archery Range Recreation (FARR) program; evaluations will be conducted the first two weeks of October.
- Scott Chapman developed application materials for the upcoming Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities (NOVA) program cycle; applications are due October 1.
- Lorinda Anderson reviewed planning materials for establishing eligibility in some IAC grant programs.
- Rory Calhoun has been on medical leave since June; he is now recuperating at home.

Legislative Issues: Jim Fox advised that any agency request legislation is due in the Governor's office by September 30. Mr. Fox reviewed the two issues brought up at the July Board meeting (see notebook for details).

Possible legislation to implement fuel study and legislation to clarify the
definition of nonhighway road recreational facility in NOVA statutes. After
looking into the fuel study further, it appears it will be implemented in statute
by the Legislature. At least one stakeholder group will introduce legislation on
the definition issue. Agency recommendation at this time is to not pursue
legislation in either of these areas.

 Possible BFP legislation to help address needs of facility providers and boating public. Results of a web-based survey did not indicate the need for a change in our underlying legislation.

Mr. Parlette arrived and assumed the Acting Chair duties, as previously requested by Ruth Mahan, IAC Chair. A quorum was determined to be present.

ITEM 3. 2003 IAC MEETING SCHEDULE

Director Johnson presented the proposed meeting schedule for the Interagency Committee for 2003 (see notebook for details). She advised a fifth meeting was added in January to review/discuss results of the NOVA fuel study. The remaining four meetings are approximately the same pattern as in the past with the exception of the tour meeting previously held in July being held in September in eastern Washington.

After discussion of conflicts among Board members, it was decided to check into different dates for the January, March, and July meetings and bring back to the December meeting for final approval.

ITEM 4. CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda was presented (see notebook for details). Elyse Kane **moved** approval of the consent agenda as presented. Larry Farleigh **seconded. MOTION CARRIED** (Resolution #2002-18).

ITEM 5. WWRP REVIEW & FRAMEWORK

Marguerite Austin reviewed the WWRP process (see notebook for detail). Jim Fox advised the Board that because of time constraints, this item is for information/background at this time with action scheduled for the December meeting. Mr. Fox provided a review of WWRP funds allocation/appropriation.

ITEM 6. WWRP – HCA CRITICAL HABITAT

Marguerite Austin presented background on this funding category (see notebook for details). This category of the Habitat Conservation Account (HCA) is eligible to receive 35% of the HCA funds plus unallocated funds; acquisition and development projects for fish and wildlife habitat protection, enhancement, and restoration are eligible; renovation projects are ineligible; funds are available to state agencies only.

Ms. Austin reported sixteen critical habitat category projects requesting \$39,199,852 were evaluated and the ranked project list is being presented for Board approval. Ms. Austin presented the top three projects to the Board.

Public Testimony

Betsy Bloomfield, *The Nature Conservancy (TNC)*, read a letter urging the Board to submit a capital budget request that ensures funding levels for the next biennium that at least match past funding requests. TNC is particularly interested and supports two projects requesting funding in this category: Rattlesnake Mountain (IAC #02-1111) and Tieton River Canyon (IAC #02-1160).

Lyn Muench, *Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe*, expressed support for the Dungeness River Match project (IAC #02-1101), stating awarding money for this project will be a match for \$2.75 million in federal funds. This project has very strong local, statewide, and federal support. In addition, the Tribe is an adjacent landowner and with its partners manages the Dungeness River Audubon Center. Both the Tribal Council and the Dungeness River Audubon Center Board of Directors are prepared to cooperate with Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife for on-site management and protection of the properties.

Tim Cullinan, *Audubon Washington*, stated Audubon has identified 53 areas in the state as important bird areas, and four of the six high priority projects identified fall within or adjacent to these important bird areas. Audubon urges these projects be funded.

Connie Kearney **moved** approval of the WWRP Critical Habitat Category fiscal year 2004 ranked list of projects. Craig Partridge **seconded**. **MOTION CARRIED** (Resolution #2002-20).

ITEM 7. WWRP - HCA NATURAL AREAS

Marguerite Austin presented background on this funding category (see notebook for details). This category of the Habitat Conservation Account (HCA) is eligible to receive 20% of HCA funds plus unallocated funds; acquisition and development projects for protection of high quality native ecosystems or unique plant/animal communities are eligible; renovation projects are ineligible; funds are available to state agencies only.

Ms. Austin reported seven natural areas category projects requesting \$16,274,371 were evaluated and the ranked project list is being presented for Board approval. Scott Chapman presented the top three projects to the Board.

Connie Kearney **moved** approval of the WWRP Natural Areas Category fiscal year 2004 ranked list of projects. Elyse Kane **seconded. MOTION CARRIED** (Resolution #2002-21).

ITEM 8. WWRP – HCA URBAN WILDLIFE

Marguerite Austin presented background on this funding category (see notebook for details). This category of the Habitat Conservation Account (HCA) is eligible to receive 15% of HCA funds plus unallocated funds; acquisition and development projects for fish and wildlife habitat protection, enhancement, and restoration are eligible; renovation projects are ineligible; funds are available to state and local agencies; local agencies must provide a 50% match.

Ms. Austin reported thirteen urban wildlife category projects requesting \$19,394,991 were evaluated and the ranked project list is being presented for Board approval. Scott Chapman and Ms. Austin presented the top three projects to the Board.

Larry Fairleigh **moved** approval of the WWRP Urban Wildlife Category fiscal year 2004 ranked list of projects. Connie Kearney **seconded. MOTION CARRIED** (Resolution #2002-22).

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ITEM 9. WWRP – ORA WATER ACCESS

Marguerite Austin presented background on this funding category (see notebook for details). This category of the Outdoor Recreation Account (ORA) is eligible to receive 10% of ORA funds plus unallocated funds; projects must provide physical access to shorelines for water-related recreation; acquisition and developments projects are eligible; renovation projects are ineligible; 75% of the funds must be used for acquisition; local agencies must provide a 50% match.

Ms. Austin reported eight water access category projects requesting \$3,696,556 were evaluated and the ranked project list is being presented for Board approval. Myra Barker, Darrell Jennings, and Ms. Austin presented the top six projects to the Board.

Public Testimony

Jeroen Kok, *Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation Department*, expressed support for the Cottonwood Beach project (IAC #02-1216), stating it represents a partnership with the cities of Camas and Washougal and the Port of Camas-Washougal, owner of the property. He thanked IAC staff and the Board for the opportunity to bring this project forward and urged the Board request full funding for the WWRP program.

Charles Ng, Seattle Parks and Recreation Department, complimented the IAC staff on its excellent customer service and expressed concern with the mandatory 75% of funds in this category being allocated to acquisition projects.

Rick Fackler, *Kitsap County Parks and Recreation Department*, encouraged the Board support staff recommendations and recommend full funding. Mr. Fackler also expressed how fair the process is and commended staff for its helpfulness, patience, and professionalism.

Clarification followed on the distribution of funds while meeting the mandated 75% being awarded to acquisition projects.

Craig Partridge **moved** approval of the WWRP Water Access Category fiscal year 2004 ranked list of projects. Larry Farleigh **seconded. MOTION CARRIED** (Resolution #2002-23).

ITEM 10. WWRP – ORA TRAILS

Marguerite Austin presented background on this funding category (see notebook for details). This category of the Outdoor Recreation Account (ORA) is eligible to receive 15% of ORA funds plus unallocated funds; projects must provide for non-motorized trail activities; acquisition and developments projects are eligible; renovation projects are ineligible; local agencies must provide a 50% match; no limit on request amount,.

Ms. Austin reported eighteen trail category projects requesting \$9,752,176 were evaluated and the ranked project list is being presented for Board approval. Myra Barker and Darrell Jennings presented the top six projects to the Board.

Following staff responses to Board questions on some of the projects, Connie Kearney **moved** approval of the WWRP Trails Category fiscal year 2004 ranked list of projects. Elyse Kane **seconded. MOTION CARRIED** (Resolution #2002-24).

ITEM 11. WWRP- ORA LOCAL PARKS

Marguerite Austin presented background on this funding category (see notebook for details). This category of the Outdoor Recreation Account (ORA) is eligible to receive 25% of ORA funds plus unallocated funds; acquisition, development, and renovation of outdoor recreation areas are eligible; 50% of the funds must be allocated for acquisition; available to local agencies only; agencies must provide a 50% match; maximum request for development project is \$300,000; maximum request for acquisition project is \$500,000.

Ms. Austin reported 44 local parks category projects requesting \$11,078,947 were evaluated and the ranked project list is being presented for Board approval. Myra Barker, Scott Chapman, and Darrell Jennings presented the top 24 projects to the Board.

Acting Chair Parlette suggested key legislators be invited to listen to local parks presentations. Also, distribution of PowerPoint presentations on cd rom might be beneficial. Director Johnson advised our website is continually being updated to add information such as PowerPoint presentations and project photos.

Public Testimony

Jeroen Kok, *Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation Department*, expressed the importance of this grant program to local agencies.

Cindy Cole, *Kennewick Parks and Recreation Department*, testified in support of the Highlands Grange Park Improvements project (IAC #02-1149).

Elyse Kane **moved** approval of the WWRP Local Parks Category fiscal year 2004 ranked list of projects. Larry Fairleigh **seconded**. **MOTION CARRIED** (Resolution #2002-25).

ITEM 12. WWRP – ORA STATE PARKS

Marguerite Austin presented background on this funding category (see notebook for details). This category of the Outdoor Recreation Account (ORA) is eligible to receive 25% of ORA funds plus unallocated funds; acquisition and development projects for state parks are eligible; renovation projects are ineligible; 75% of the funds must be allocated for acquisition; funds available to State Parks and Recreation Commission only.

Ms. Austin reported 16 State Parks category projects requesting \$21,100,965 were evaluated and the project list is being presented for Board approval. The second phase of this process is that State Parks reviews the list and presents its recommendations to the Parks Commission for approval in November. IAC staff is requesting Board

approval to submit the entire list to the Governor's office to meet the October 1 deadline. After State Parks Commission has taken action, a final ranked list will be submitted to the Board for approval at its December meeting. Scott Chapman presented four projects to the Board.

Public Testimony

Bob Peterson, *State Parks Commissioner*, stated he is currently chair of the Lands Committee, a sub-committee formed to oversee acquisition and development of Parks' properties. He urged State Parks and IAC staffs work together to develop a combined list that is in the best interests of the citizens of the state.

Connie Kearney **moved** approval of the WWRP State Parks Category fiscal year 2004 list of projects. Elyse Kane **seconded. MOTION CARRIED** (Resolution #2002-26).

ITEM 13. NOVA POLICY AND PROCEDURES MANUALS

Scott Chapman presented updated draft policy manuals for the NOVA Non-highway Road program (manual 12) and Off-Road Vehicle program (manual 14) (see notebook for details). The updates were prepared in collaboration with advisory committees and constituents. Mr. Chapman reported the majority of changes are housekeeping while those that are more significant are based on the recently adopted NOVA Plan.

Connie Kearney **moved** adoption of the updated NOVA manual 12 and manual 14. Craig Partridge **seconded. MOTION CARRIED** (Resolution #2002-27).

ITEM 14. LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND (LWCF)

Marguerite Austin presented background on this funding program (see notebook for details). This federal program provides matching funds to states to assist in developing/preserving outdoor recreation resources. State agencies, municipal governments, and Native American tribes are eligible; planning eligibility must be established; acquisition, development, and renovation projects are eligible; minimum request is \$25,000; maximum request is \$500,000.

Ms. Austin reported there were 18 projects submitted for LWCF federal fiscal year 2002 funding consideration, requesting more than \$5 million. Projects were presented to the LWCF advisory committee for evaluation and ranking. Myra Barker, Darrell Jennings, and Ms. Austin presented the top nine projects to the Board.

Craig Partridge **moved** approval of the LWCF federal fiscal year 2002 ranked list of projects. Elyse Kane **seconded. MOTION CARRIED** (Resolution #2002-28).

ITEM 15. NRTP GENERAL/EDUCATION

Greg Lovelady presented background on this funding program (see notebook for details). This federal program requires specific percentage allotments among motorized and non-motorized trail activities. These requirements are met in the funding recommendations presented.

Mr. Lovelady reported 74 projects (60 general category and 14 education category) were submitted for National Recreational Trails Program funds, requesting \$2,304,007.

A 15-member advisory committee individually scored the projects in their homes and offices and then sent the results to IAC staff for compilation. The committee met on August 13 to agree on final recommendations. Mr. Lovelady provided highlights of top projects.

Public Testimony

Mike Dolfay, representing users, expressed support of staff recommendations.

Connie Kearney **moved** approval of the 2002 NRTP ranked list of projects. Craig Partridge **seconded. MOTION CARRIED** (Resolution #2002-29).

ITEM 16. PROJECT CHANGES

Marguerite Austin presented a request from State Parks changing the scope of a Boating Facilities Program (BFP) project to a planning project; deleting development elements; reducing the total project cost and grant amount; and extending project completion date (see notebook for details). This request is due to a change in the project scope and inability to obtain permits in the necessary timeframe. A development grant will be pursued in the 2004 cycle.

Elyse Kane **moved** approval of the project changes and time extension presented by staff. Connie Kearney **seconded. MOTION CARRIED** (Resolution #2002-30).

ITEM 17. BOATING INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM (BIG) TIER 2

Marguerite Austin presented background on this funding program (see notebook for details). IAC is managing the State of Washington's point of contact for this federal program which focuses on facilities used by recreational boaters with non-trailered boats (26 feet and larger). There are two tiers of grants: (1) those requesting \$100,000 or less and (2) those requesting \$100,001 or more.

Ms. Austin advised one Tier 1 and three Tier 2 applications were received requesting funds from the BIG program. Staff recommends the Board approve funding of the Tier 1 project and two of the Tier 2 applications be forwarded to the Fish and Wildlife Service for national competition.

Larry Farleigh **moved** approval of the BIG list of projects to be submitted to the US Fish and Wildlife Service. Elyse Kane **seconded. MOTION CARRIED** (Resolution #2002-31).

REPORTS FROM PARTNER AGENCIES

Larry Fairleigh, State Parks, reported Cleve Pinnix retired as State Parks Director and last Friday Rex Derr was appointed as the new Director. Mr. Derr is well qualified for the job and intends to attend IAC meetings.

With no further items or comm	nents, the meeting adjourned at 4:19 p.m.
Ruth Mahan, Chair	

Next Meeting:

December 5, 2002 Natural Resources Building, Room 172 Olympia, Washington

ADOPTION OF THE 2003 IAC MEETING SCHEDULE

BE IT RESOLVED, the following schedule for 2003 Regular and Special meetings of the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation is hereby adopted; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, staff is directed to publish notice in the State Register accordingly.

January 22, 2003 Wednesday Evening Workshop Seattle area

March 20 & 21, 2003 Thursday-Friday Olympia

July 17 & 18, 2003 Thursday-Friday Olympia

September 11 & 12, 2003 Thursday-Friday Eastern Washington

November 20 & 21, 2003 Thursday-Friday Olympia

Resolution moved by

Resolution seconded by:

Adopted / Defeated / <u>Deferred</u> (underline one)

Date: September 19, 2002

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RESOLUTION #2002-18 September 2002 Consent Agenda

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following September, 2002, Consent Agenda items are approved:

a: Meeting Minutes per Attachment A – July 11, 2002, IAC Meeting Minutes,

b: Port of Hoodsport Pier Replacement, IAC Project #99-1028 - Cost Increase, and

c: Time Extensions per Time Extensions Memorandum Attachment C

Resolution moved by: Elyse Kane

Resolution seconded by: Larry Fairleigh

<u>Adopted</u> / Defeated / Deferred (underline one)

Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program Critical Habitat Category - Fiscal Year 2004 Ranked List of Projects

WHEREAS, for FY2004 of the 2003-2005 biennium, sixteen Critical Habitat category projects are eligible for funding from the Habitat Conservation Account of the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program, and

WHEREAS, these sixteen Critical Habitat category projects were evaluated using evaluation criteria approved by IAC Board Members, and

WHEREAS, these evaluations occurred in an open public meeting,

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that the ranked project list for Critical Habitat category as depicted in #2002-20, Table 1 is approved.

Resolution moved by: Connie Kearney

Resolution seconded by: Craig Partridge

Adopted / Defeated / Deferred (underline one)

Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program Natural Areas Category - Fiscal Year 2004 Ranked List of Projects

WHEREAS, for FY 2004 of the 2003-2005 biennium, seven Natural Areas category projects are eligible for funding from the Habitat Conservation Account of the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program, and

WHEREAS, these seven Natural Areas category projects were evaluated using evaluation criteria approved by IAC Board Members, and

WHEREAS, these evaluations occurred in an open public meeting,

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that the ranked project list for Natural Areas category as depicted in Table 1, Attachment 2002-21, is approved.

Resolution moved by: Connie Kearney

Resolution seconded by: Elyse Kane

<u>Adopted</u> / Defeated / Deferred (underline one)

Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program Urban Wildlife Habitat Category - Fiscal Year 2004 Ranked List of Projects

WHEREAS, for FY 2004 of the 2003-05 biennium, thirteen Urban Wildlife Habitat category projects are eligible for funding from the Habitat Conservation Account of the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program, and

WHEREAS, these thirteen Urban Wildlife Habitat category projects were evaluated using evaluation criteria approved by IAC Board Members, and

WHEREAS, these evaluations occurred in an open public meeting,

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that the ranked project list for Urban Wildlife Habitat category as depicted in Table 1, Attachment 2002-22, is approved.

Resolution moved by: Larry Fairleigh

Resolution seconded by: Connie Kearney

<u>Adopted</u> / Defeated/ Deferred (underline one)

Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program Water Access Category - Fiscal Year 2004 Ranked List of Projects

WHEREAS, for fiscal year 2004 of the 2003-2005 biennium, eight Water Access category projects are eligible for funding from the Outdoor Recreation Account of the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program, and

WHEREAS, these eight Water Access category projects were evaluated using evaluation criteria approved by IAC Board Members, and

WHEREAS, these evaluations occurred in an open public meeting,

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that the ranked project list for Water Access category as depicted in *Table 1, Attachment* 2002-23, is approved.

Resolution moved by: Craig Partridge

Resolution seconded by: Larry Fairleigh

<u>Adopted</u> / Defeated / Deferred (underline one)

Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program Trails Category - Fiscal Year 2004 Ranked List of Projects

WHEREAS, for fiscal year 2004 of the 2003-2005 biennium, eighteen Trails category projects are eligible for funding from the Outdoor Recreation Account of the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program, and

WHEREAS, these eighteen Trails category projects were evaluated using evaluation criteria approved by IAC Board Members, and

WHEREAS, these evaluations occurred in open public meetings,

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that the ranked project list for Trails category as depicted in Table 1, Attachment 2002-24, is approved.

Resolution moved by: Connie Kearney

Resolution seconded by: Elyse Kane

<u>Adopted</u> / Defeated / Deferred (underline one)

Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program Local Parks Category - Fiscal Year 2004 Ranked List of Projects

WHEREAS, for fiscal year 2004 of the 2003-2005 biennium, 44 Local Parks category projects are eligible for funding from the Outdoor Recreation Account of the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program, and

WHEREAS, these 44 Local Park category projects were evaluated using evaluation criteria approved by the IAC Board, and

WHEREAS, these evaluations occurred in open public meetings,

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that the ranked project list for the Local Parks category as depicted in Table 1, Attachment 2002-25, is approved.

Resolution moved by: Elyse Kane

Resolution seconded by: Larry Fairleigh

<u>Adopted</u> / Defeated / Deferred (underline one)

Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program State Parks Category - Fiscal Year 2004 List of Projects

WHEREAS, for fiscal year 2004 of the 2003-2005 biennium, 15 State Parks category projects are eligible for funding from the Outdoor Recreation Account of the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program, and

WHEREAS, these 15 State Parks category projects were evaluated using evaluation criteria approved by IAC Board Members, and

WHEREAS, the IAC's evaluations occurred in an open public meeting, and

WHEREAS, an alphabetized list of the projects evaluated for the State Parks category is depicted in Table 1, and

WHEREAS, IAC policy allows the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission to recommend adjustments to the preliminary evaluation ranked list, based on State Parks' capital facilities strategic priorities adopted in an open public meeting of the Commission, and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission's adoption of its ranking of the State Parks category is scheduled for November 7, 2002, and

WHEREAS, IAC must submit a list of eligible projects to the Governor by October 1, 2002;

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that the alphabetized project list for the State Parks category as depicted in Table 1, Attachment 2002-26, is approved for submittal to the Governor by October 1, 2002, and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a ranked State Parks list be submitted to IAC's Board for final consideration at the December 2002 IAC meeting.

Resolution moved by: Connie Kearney

Resolution seconded by: Elyse Kane

<u>Adopted</u> / Defeated / Deferred (underline one)

IAC RESOLUTION #2002-27

September 19, 2002 NOVA PROGRAM: NHR (Manual 12) & ORV (Manual 14)

WHEREAS, needed "housekeeping" improvements and policy updates have been identified in two of IAC's (Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation) NOVA (Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities) policy manuals, NHR (*Nonhighway Road Projects-#12*) and ORV (*Off-Road Vehicle Projects-#14*); and

WHEREAS, many of the improvements and updates are necessary due to the recent adoption of the *NOVA Plan* (IAC, 2002); and

WHEREAS, these changes conform to state statutes, rules, and policies, and

WHEREAS, these changes have been considered and updated in a public review process which included presentations at the July 11 and September 19, 2002 IAC board meetings;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that IAC hereby adopts the updates proposed in the August 28, 2002 memorandum, as further described in the draft August 28, 2002 policy manuals; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that these updates will take effect beginning with the 2002 application cycle and that IAC staff will take steps necessary for implementing this decision, including communication to interested parties.

Resolution moved by: Connie Kearney

Resolution seconded by: Craig Partridge

Adopted / Defeated / Deferred (underline one)

Land and Water Conservation Fund Program Projects for Federal Fiscal Year 2002 Funding (State Fiscal Year 2003)

WHEREAS, the State of Washington has \$2,827,860 in federal Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) grant monies available for distribution, and

WHEREAS, IAC Board Members adopted an Interim Open Project Selection Process for distribution of funds for FFY2002, and

WHEREAS, eighteen Land and Water Conservation Fund projects are submitted for FFY 2002 funding consideration, and

WHEREAS, all projects meet LWCF program requirements as stipulated in statute, administrative rule, policy and practices, and

WHEREAS, all eighteen projects have been evaluated, in an open public meeting, using the interim evaluation criteria approved by IAC Board members, and

WHEREAS, the results of these evaluations are depicted in Table 1 – LWCF Program FFY 2002, and

WHEREAS, IAC staff has requested authority to allocate FFY2002 funds in the most expeditious manner to protect the state's allocation,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that IAC hereby approves the ranking depicted in Table 1 – LWCF Program Projects Ranking and Recommendation, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that IAC hereby approves FFY 2002 project funding for Land and Water Conservation Fund projects as depicted in the attached Table 1 – LWCF Program 2002-28, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director be authorized to submit application materials to the National Park Service and execute any and all project agreements and amendments necessary to facilitate prompt project implementation.

Resolution moved by: Craig Partridge

Resolution seconded by: Elyse Kane

<u>Adopted</u> / Defeated / Deferred (underline one)

2002 NRTP Project Funding September 19-20, 2002

WHEREAS, through the early months of 2002, until the May application deadline, the staff of the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation (IAC) provided publications, public workshops, and other outreach opportunities to communicate to interested parties the benefits and application procedures for the National Recreational Trails Program (NRTP); and

WHEREAS, in answer to these efforts, 76 eligible responses were evaluated by IAC's advisory/evaluation committee (from which two projects were later withdrawn) using IAC-approved criteria; and

WHEREAS, the result of this evaluation is a set of recommendations that meets both federal and state program criteria; and

WHEREAS, \$1,049,948 in federal Recreational Trails Program funds is now available for distribution to these projects;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ranked project listing depicted in Table 1, dated August 28, 2002, is approved and staff is directed to take appropriate steps leading to implementation of funding for these projects; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that IAC hereby exercises its prerogative to waive the federal recommendation that 30 percent of this year's NRTP funds be dedicated to the *Motorized Assured Access* category.

Resolution moved by: Connie Kearney

Resolution seconded by: Larry Fairleigh

Adopted / Defeated / Deferred (underline one)

IAC #96-1102D Camano Boat Launch and Parking, Washington State Parks Project Type Change Request

WHEREAS, in 1999, IAC awarded \$450,000 to Washington State Parks for development of boating facilities at Camano Island State Park, and

WHEREAS, Washington State Parks seeks IAC approval to change the project type from development to planning, and

WHEREAS, IAC policy requires IAC's Board to consider substantial changes in project scope or type, and

WHEREAS, Washington State Parks has also requested a time extension to complete the planning and permit processes, and

WHEREAS, IAC policy requires IAC's Board to consider time extension requests that extend beyond four years from the original funding date, and

WHEREAS, Washington State Parks' requests meet the criteria established by IAC for project amendments,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Camano Boat Launch and Parking project type will be changed from development to planning, the total project cost and grant amount will be reduced from \$450,000 to \$130,000, and the project agreement will be extended to August 31, 2004, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director shall execute all amendments to the project agreement necessary to facilitate this project type change and time extension.

September 19, 2002

Resolution moved by: Elyse Kane

Resolution seconded by: Connie Kearney

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Boating Infrastructure Grant Program IAC Policies and Procedures

WHEREAS, the United States Congress created the Boating Infrastructure Grant Program under the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, and

WHEREAS, Congress has delegated the Boating Infrastructure Grant Program to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service for management, and

WHEREAS, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service has recognized the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation as the State of Washington's "single point of contact" to accept and expend funds made available to the State from the Boating Infrastructure Grant Program, and

WHEREAS, the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation has accepted applications for grant-in-aid support from eligible sponsors under rules established in the Code of Federal Regulations, and

WHEREAS, additional agency policies and procedures were adopted in March, 2001, for the orderly and efficient conduct of the Boating Infrastructure Grant Program in Washington State, and

WHEREAS IAC has accepted applications from eligible entities for grant-in-aid support in federal fiscal year 2003 in accordance with federal and state rules and policies,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation approves the list of projects to be submitted to the US Fish and Wildlife Service under Tier 1 and Tier 2 for federal fiscal year 2003, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the IAC wishes Tier 2 applicants all success in the national grant competition.

Moved by: Larry Fairleigh

Seconded by: Elyse Kane

Adopted / Defeated / Deferred (underline one)